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CONTAINING THE LIQUID-CRYSTAL MEDIUM

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Sir,

I, Michael Heckmeier, being duly warned, declare that:

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From 1995 to 1998, I did experimental work at Institut Charles Sadron, CNRS, France for my thesis entitled:

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